

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A washing machine, comprising:
a cabinet including a top plate;
a tub;
a drum; and
a detergent box assembly, comprising:
~~a top plate provided on the cabinet and having an opening at one side;~~
~~a detergent box provided to the~~ configured to be positioned in an
opening and formed in the top plate, the detergent box having a plurality of first bosses
~~protruding upward to hold screws, respectively~~ extending upward; and
~~a cover frame provided to a topside of~~ configured to be positioned atop
the detergent box and having a plurality of second bosses ~~protruding downward to hold the~~
~~screws, respectively~~ corresponding to the plurality of first bosses, wherein the plurality of second
bosses extend downward from the cover frame such that each second boss is partially inserted
into a corresponding first boss.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Currently Amended) The washing machine as claimed in claim 1, wherein ~~an~~
~~interior screw is formed in a lower portion of each of the first bosses to be coupled to the~~

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corresponding screws configured to engage a corresponding fastener which extends through a corresponding second boss and into the first boss.

4. (Currently Amended) The washing machine as claimed in claim 1, wherein ~~a bent part bent downward is further provided to the top plate~~ includes a bent portion which extends downward from an edge of the opening.

5. (Currently Amended) The washing machine as claimed in claim 4, ~~wherein further comprising a plurality of hooks are formed at both~~ provided at opposite sides of the detergent box, and a corresponding plurality of holes are formed at the bent part to be coupled to the hooks, respectively provided in the bent portion and configured to engage the corresponding plurality of hooks.

6. (Currently Amended) The washing machine as claimed in claim 5, wherein ~~a the plurality of the hooks and the~~ and corresponding plurality of holes are formed in front and rear sides of the detergent box.

7. (Currently Amended) The washing machine as claimed in claim 1, ~~wherein further comprising a cover for covering the detergent box is rotatably installed at~~ coupled to one side of the cover frame and configured to cover the detergent box.

8. (Currently Amended) A washing machine, comprising:

a cabinet including a top plate;

a tub;

a drum; and

a detergent box assembly, comprising:

~~a top plate provided on the cabinet and having an opening at one side;~~

a detergent box ~~loaded on the~~ configured to be positioned in an opening
~~to be hung by a hanging means;~~ in the top plate which includes a bent part extending downward
from a peripheral edge of the opening, wherein the detergent box is coupled to the bent part by
a hanging device; and

a cover frame having a rim ~~loaded~~ configured to be positioned on an
upper surface of the top plate, along a neighbour part peripheral edge of the opening; and

~~a bent part bent downward from an edge of the opening.~~

9. (Currently Amended) The washing machine as claimed in claim 8, wherein the
hanging ~~means comprising device comprises:~~

~~a plurality of hooks protruding from sides~~ at least one hook extending from at least
one side of the detergent box; and

~~a plurality of holes~~ at least one corresponding hole formed ~~at in~~ the bent part ~~to~~
~~have the hooks inserted therein, respectively~~ and configured to engage the at least one hook.

10. (Currently Amended) The washing machine as claimed in claim 8, further
comprising:

a plurality of first bosses ~~protruding extending~~ upward from an upper surface of the detergent box and each configured to hold screws, respectively receive a fastener therein; and
a corresponding plurality of second bosses ~~protruding extending~~ downward from a lower surface of the cover frame and each configured to hold the screws, respectively receive a fastener therein.

11. (Currently Amended) The washing machine as claimed in claim 10, wherein one end of ~~the each~~ second boss is configured to be inserted in into an upper portion of ~~the a~~ corresponding first boss.

12. (Currently Amended) The washing machine as claimed in claim 10, wherein ~~an interior screw is formed in~~ a lower portion of each of the first bosses ~~to be coupled to the corresponding screw~~ comprises an engaging portion configured to engage a corresponding fastener received therein.

13. (Currently Amended) The washing machine as claimed in claim 10, wherein the ~~neighbour part peripheral edge~~ of the opening is clamped between the detergent box and the cover frame.

14. (Currently Amended) The washing machine as claimed in claim 8, ~~wherein further comprising a cover for covering the detergent box is rotatably installed at~~ coupled to one side of the cover frame and configured to cover the detergent box.

15. (Currently Amended) The washing machine as claimed in claim 8, wherein ~~a plurality of storing parts for storing detergent are formed in the detergent box~~ comprises a plurality of compartments each configured to receive wash agents therein.

16. (New) The washing machine as claimed in claim 1, wherein each second boss has a first end coupled to the cover frame and a second end configured to be inserted into an upper portion of a corresponding first boss, wherein an outer diameter of the first end of each second boss is different than an outer diameter of its second end.

17. (New) The washing machine as claimed in claim 16, wherein an outer diameter of the first end of each second boss is greater than an outer diameter of its second end.

18. (New) The washing machine as claimed in claim 16, wherein each first boss has a first end coupled to the detergent box and a second end configured to receive the second end of corresponding second boss, wherein an inner diameter of the first end of each first boss is different than an inner diameter of its second end.

19. (New) The washing machine as claimed in claim 18, wherein an inner diameter of the first end of each first boss is less than an inner diameter of its second end.

20. (New) The washing machine as claimed in claim 19, wherein an inner diameter of a through hole in each of the second bosses is greater than an outer diameter of a fastener inserted therein.

21. (New) The washing machine as claimed in claim 20, wherein a fastener is inserted through the through hole in one of the second bosses and into a through hole in a corresponding first boss such that a lower portion of the first boss engages a distal portion of the fastener.

22. (New) The washing machine as claimed in claim 3, wherein the fastener comprises a screw, and wherein the lower portion of each of the first bosses is threaded so as to engage the screw.

23. (New) The washing machine as claimed in claim 9, wherein the at least one hook comprises a plurality of hooks extending from opposite sides of the detergent box, and the at least one corresponding hole comprises a corresponding plurality of holes formed in the corresponding opposite sides of the bent part.

24. (New) The washing machine as claimed in claim 12, wherein the fastener comprises a screw, and wherein the lower portion of each of the first bosses is threaded so as to engage the screw.

25. (New) The washing machine as claimed in claim 10, wherein each second boss has a first end coupled to the cover frame and a second end configured to be inserted into an upper portion of a corresponding first boss, wherein an outer diameter of the first end of each second boss is greater than an outer diameter of its second end.

26. (New) The washing machine as claimed in claim 25, wherein each first boss has a first end coupled to the detergent box and a second end configured to receive the second end of corresponding second boss, wherein an inner diameter of the first end of each first boss is less than an inner diameter of its second end.

27. (New) The washing machine as claimed in claim 26, wherein an inner diameter of a through hole in each of the second bosses is greater than an outer diameter of a fastener inserted therein.

28. (New) The washing machine as claimed in claim 27, wherein a fastener is inserted through the through hole in one of the second bosses and into a through hole in a corresponding first boss such that a lower portion of the first boss engages a distal portion of the fastener.